

The Family Flyer



Supporting Military Families
Cape Cod—Southeastern Massachusetts—SE New England



Boston Bruins Military Appreciation Night

MON 10 NOV @ 7p at The Garden, Boston MA

The USO will be utilizing their online reservation system to assign tickets to service members. The goal is to have a fair distribution among the branches and commands. The seats are divided equally among the service branches and then proportionately among the various commands. Using the online system waitlists will be kept in advance and then confirm to service members that they have tickets as blocks of seats are received—Tickets are received all the way into Monday. “Buckets” on the system hold a specific number of tickets designated for branches/commands. Passcode allow only service members to reserve tickets out of that bucket. All tickets will need to be picked up in person on either SAT 08 or SUN 09 NOV USO (Coast Guard Base Boston) or on game day at West End Johnny’s across from the TD Garden no later than 6:00PM.

[Link for Tickets](#)

Passcode for 102IW: Contact [Erin](#) or [Deb](#)
ARNG: Contract State Family Program Office
USCG: Contact [Pete](#)
6SWS : Contact Hanscom AFB Ticketing



Tickets for the Troops—

We Serve Too proudly offers through their “Tickets for the Troops” program free tickets to all active, reserve and retired members of local military communities.



BC Football

What: Boston College vs Louisville Cardinals

Where: Alumni Stadium—Chestnuthill, MA

When: Saturday November 8h @ TBD

To request your COMPLIMENTARY tickets, please E-request to Chris at:

BCticketsforthetroops2014@gmail.com

Please include your phone number in the email request. Reservations taken through 05 NOV. Up to 4 tickets per service person. Space is limited!

Hockey Tickets for the Whole Family

UMass Military Appreciation Night

@ Tsongas Arena, Lowell MA

On Friday, November 7th @ 7:15pm

UMass takes on Northeastern on November 7th – and we have your complimentary tickets for the whole family! A great opportunity for free family fun! Please note the following change - service members do not have to attend in uniform.

For Tickets: [CLICK HERE](#)

6 tickets per service member - if you need more for your family please call the USO at 617-720-4949.

Tickets can be picked up at the USO between 10am and 4pm Tuesday-Friday or at the USO booth at the arena on game night!



BC Hockey

Boston College vs Harvard Crimson

@ Conte Forum—Chestnuthill, MA

On Tuesday, November 11th @ 7pm

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Veterans

Free Admission to Old Sturbridge Village

TUE 11 NOV

Old Sturbridge Village will offer free admission to veterans, active military personnel and their families (up to 6 people) on Veterans Day, Tuesday, Nov. 11. Historians will fire vintage firearms and perform martial music covering 300 years of America's military history; display of military uniforms from the American Revolution to the Gulf War; meet a reenactor portraying an 1812 surgeon; Youngsters can learn to drill with the militia (using toy muskets), and see how musket balls were cast; Village blacksmiths be hard at work on an 18th-century-style cannon, using iron fittings to attach the cannon to a wooden carriage; and MORE!

For details, visit www.osv.org or call 800-SEE-1830.



Veterans Crisis Hotline

The Veterans Crisis Line **1-800-273-8255, Press 1** is available 24/7/365 to provide confidential counseling and referrals for Veterans and their families. This is an integrated national outreach effort to increase awareness and use of the Veterans Crisis Line, support and promote broader VA suicide prevention efforts, and promote help-seeking behaviors among Veterans at risk of suicide and other mental health problems.

Discounts

*** Proof of Military Service: Most companies require some form of military ID. These include: a Military ID Card (active/reserve/retired), Current Leave and Earnings Statement (LES), Drivers License with Veterans Designation, Photograph in uniform, wearing your uniform (if your service permits), Veterans Organization Card (e.g., American Legion and VFW), DD214, discharge paperwork, or other form of identification. Other restaurants and companies may go by the honor system.*** Always call ahead to verify locations, dates, times, and participation. Many of the companies listed are franchises, and may have different policies.***

7– Eleven: Small Slurpee **Applebee's:** Meal Bed, Bath & Beyond: 9-11 NOV 20 % off in store purchase
Cabela's: 5-20% discount **California Pizza Kitchen:** Free meal & non-alcoholic beverage
Christmas Tree Shops: 09-11 NOV 20% entire purchase **Chili's:** Free Entrée 11am—5pm
Lowe's: 10% in store **Home Depot:** 10% in store **Hooters:** Free Meal **JCPenny:** 20% off in store
LongHorn Steakhouse: Free entrée from Stars & Stripes Menu **National Parks:** Fee-Free days to all
McCormick & Schmick: Free Lunch or Dinner—reservations encouraged space limited.
Olive Garden: Free Meal off special menu **Outback Steakhouse:** Free Bloomin' Onion & Coca-Cola
Red Lobster: Free Appetizer **Red Robin:** Free Red's Tavern Double and Bottomless Steak Fries
Sports Authority: 15% off all purchases **Steven Madden:** 30% off in store
Texas Roadhouse: Free Lunch until 4pm **T.G.I.Fridays:** Free lunch **Benny's** 10% discount
Ocean State Job Lot 25% off 6 – 12 NOV **Uno Chicago Grill:** Free Individual pizza

And there are MORE! [2014 Veterans Day Restaurant Offerings](#) [2014 Veterans Day Travel & Recreation Discounts](#)

Veterans

Request for presence of 102nd at 2014 Veterans' Day Ceremony

This year, on Nov. 11th, the Town of Falmouth will celebrate its 60th Veterans' Day ceremony. Once again, members of the 102nd are invited to participate in the ceremony. The procession steps off the Town Green at 10:45 a.m. and walks to the Main St. library, Memorial Lane, where the ceremony is held. It normally lasts about one hour. The 102nd usually stands up on the steps of the Library during the ceremony.

If you'd like to formally participate, please contact LtCol Ahaesy before Nov. 7th by [email](#).

10th Annual Women Veterans Appreciation Day

Thurs, November 6th 2014 11AM-1PM
Memorial Hall, MA State House
24 Beacon St Boston MA 02111

Join the MA Women Veterans' Network of the MA Department of Veterans' Services as they host their 10th Annual Women Veteran Appreciation day to honor the women who have served past and present! There will be the presentation of the 2014 Outstanding Women Veteran of the Year with the Deborah Sampson award! If you know of a woman veteran whose military and community service has been exceptional, nominate her today for this prestigious award! ALL Veterans and families welcome. Snacks and refreshments provided. For more information contact Viviana Marcotte at 617-210-5958 or email vmarcotte@massmail.state.ma.us

Operation Flags for Vets

SAT 08 NOV @ 10 am

Operation Flags for Vets will place flags at each of the 57,000 graves at the MA National Veterans Cemetery in Bourne for Veterans Day. The volunteer project was initiated by Paul Monti, father of Jared, a soldier who died in Afghanistan in June 2006 and was later posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor for bravery in trying to save the life of a wounded comrade. Prior to placing the flags there will be a brief ceremony at the cemetery entrance. Arrive early since there are many volunteers and parking can be difficult.



Yoga Class

TUE 11 NOV from 8:30—9:30 a.m.
Mashpee Fitness Center, Mashpee MA

Complimentary for all veterans

Open to all - experienced or first time

Suggested donation \$15.00 or more

Checks made payable to VYP (Veterans Yoga Project) can be dropped off at Mashpee Fitness Center or New Seabury Country Club - Pro Shop

Plymouth Regional Veterans Expo

SAT 15 NOV from 10a.m.—2 p.m.

@ Plymouth North High School, Plymouth

Jobs & Benefits Fair!

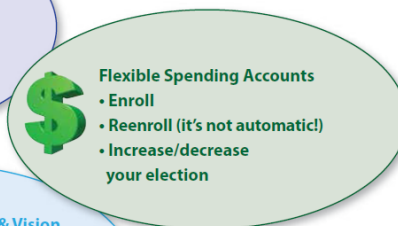
- ◇ Free food & Live music! Kids Fun Zone!
- ◇ Jobs & Employers! Door Prizes & gifts
- ◇ Enroll for VA Healthcare & Benefits
- ◇ Free Health checks & VA Claims! Legal & Financial Services
- ◇ Bring Resumes & DD214s

Good to Know

Federal Employees: Open Season MON 10 NOV—MON 08 DEC

Things to Consider:

- My family's health, dental, and vision needs for 2015
- Whether my current plan will be available in 2015
 - If I do nothing, FEHB and FEDVIP enrollments rollover automatically
- How my current plan's benefits and premiums change in 2015
- Whether the online comparison tools show a better plan for me
- How much money I could save with a flexible spending account



More Information go to www.opm.gov/openseason

To Enroll, Change or Cancel:

FEHB HEALTH: Use your agency's online enrollment system or contact your human resources office.

FEDVIP Dental and/or Vision:

www.BENEFEDS.com or 1-877-888-3337

FSAFEDS Flexible Spending Account:

www.FSAFEDS.com or 1-877-372-3337

November Rec Deck

Don't miss out on all that MWR has to offer on Joint Base Cape Cod! Check out the [November issue of the Rec Deck](#) today!

US Family Health Plan

Representative at Joint Base Cape Cod

The 102nd Medical Group is excited to announce that Mr. James Souza, US Family Health Rep, will be hosting walk in hours, once a month, at the 102nd Clinic. Mr. Souza can assist all members with enrollment options for both member and family, changes of Primary Care Managers, billing issues, referrals, specialty care, etc. With Tricare closing all regional offices, this is a great resource for all!

Schedule as follows:

14 Nov, 0900-1500
12 Dec, 0900-1500
23 Jan, 0900-1500
20 Feb, 0900-1500



**US FAMILY
HEALTH PLAN**

No appointments necessary.

If you have any questions, please contact SMSgt Cynthia Thomas at 508-968-4083.

1st Annual Education Workshop

WED 19 NOV from 10 a.m.—4 p.m. @ MANG Joint Force HQ, Hanscom AFB

Topics include:

- State Tuition & Fee Waiver,
- College & University Info
- Joint Service Transcript
- GI Bill Information
- Selected Service Incentive Program
- Student Loan Repayment Program
- Veteran Services
- Outreach Services
- Yellow Ribbon
- Family Readiness Programs
- Military Testing Programs

Please contact CPT Tania Sang to request a registration form by [email](#) or call 339-202-3171.

For The Kids

Want to learn about what's happening for Military Connected Children around Massachusetts and New England?

Check out the State Child & Youth Program Virtual Bulletin Board and Calendar [HERE!](#)

Come Build with Operation Military Kids to Celebrate Month of the Military Child



Where: Einstein's Workshop, 25 Adams St,
Burlington MA 01803

When: Sunday, November 9, 2014
from 10:15 am—12:15 pm



Einstein's Workshop offers a unique, immersive experience in hands-on learning. They provide the toys, the tools, and the space where youth can release their inner scientist, engineer, inventor, or maker. Children will have the run of the Einstein workshop filled with LEGOs, K'nex, ZomeTools, MangaTiles, Snap Circuits, board games and much more! This event is for military connected children ages 5 and up. Registration is required by Monday, November 3rd. Space is limited. The service member does not have to be present, However, all children must be accompanied by an adult and chaperoned throughout the event.

To register contact Va Shon Hiltpold by calling 781-891-0650 ext 30, or
email vwallace@umext.umass.edu



Operation Homefront Seeks Military Child of Year Nominations

Officials of the nonprofit organization, which provides aid to service members and their families, said they understand what military children go through in supporting their service members and want to recognize their contributions.

Parents, grandparents, Scout leaders, teachers, counselors, priests, rabbis, imams, pastors and others can nominate a military child for the honor.



Operation Homefront presents the award to an outstanding military child from each branch ~ Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force and Coast Guard, honoring the award winners at the organization's annual gala in the nation's capital.

Nominees selected as finalists must provide letters of recommendation and agree to a background check. Winners receive the award, a \$5,000 cash prize and a laptop computer. Nominations close Dec. 12.

**Operation Homefront's
Military Child of the Year®** [SEE FULL DETAILS ONLINE](#)

Employment Opportunities & Job Search Resources

Veterans Job Search Strategy Session

WED 19 NOV from 9–11 a.m. @ Hyannis Career Opportunities

The first step to finding and getting your next job! RSVP as soon as possible to:
Mike Swaney, Veterans Employment Rep 508-862-6127

SAVE THE DATE: Career Transition Series

Session 1: Inventory of Skills THU 06 NOV

Session 2: Networking THU 13 NOV

Session 3: Developing a Resume & Interviewing
THU 18 NOV

Military personnel and veterans of all branches are welcome to attend. All workshops are located at Mashpee Public Library. RSVP to [Jill Blanchard](#)

Presented by Dan Riley, in association with Cape & Islands Veterans Outreach Center, hosted by the Grace Program.

Veterans/Military Spouses Virtual Career Fair

TUE 11 NOV 10am—4pm

Interested persons are invited to attend the career fair to view exciting opportunities in all job categories at all West Corporation locations across the country. During the event, there will be opportunities to speak with recruiters, download information, and learn more about working at West- discreetly, securely and from the convenience of their computer.

Register today for this event by visiting this link:
<http://bit.ly/1vUICes>.



Hot Jobs!

Find a job today!

Go to [MA One Stop Career Centers](#) to look for jobs now! Opportunities include currently hiring full time & seasonal positions.

Facebook & Your Job Search

Facebook is a powerful tool when it comes to finding a job. It can either help or hurt you, depending on how you use it. This guide includes two articles:

- 8 Vital Things To Do On Facebook When You're Looking For Work
- This Is How You Use Facebook To Find A Job

Learn how to use Facebook to your advantage today!
Download this Guide off LinkedIn:

<http://bit.ly/1Dxv7m>

VA Plans a Healthcare Hiring Spree!

VA Officials should know by the end of this year, or early 2015, how many clinical and support staff it must hire. Rough estimates say the listing will have approximately 28,000 vacancies.

More at military.com

Federal Resume Writing and USA Jobs

THU 06 NOV 12:30—4:00 p.m. @ Hanscom AFB

Improve your odds of getting the federal job you want by learning resume writing basics, how to locate essential skills & keywords to include, how to write accomplishment statements, resume builder formats & more.

Pre-Registration is required. Call (781) 225-2765 or email 66.fss.fsfr.cmb@us.af.mil

Serving the Total Force.....Programs Are Free to All Active Duty, Reserve and Guard Personnel, DoD Civilians, Retired Military Personnel and Family Members

Holiday Assistance Opportunities



Operation Tribute Registration OPEN!

DEADLINE: SAT 01 NOV

Operation Tribute is accepting registrations for holiday gifts to children of military families! Last year, the program provided over 35,000 gifts! Every child that registered received a gift!

The program is NOT based on need. The people of Operation Tribute issue the gifts as a way of showing appreciation for the bravery and courage exhibited by our children. Even if the mili-

tary parent is not currently deployed, the child will be given a top quality gift.

There will be no wish lists. Each gift will be sent to the child, individually wrapped and shipped, even if there are multiple children in a household. The package will include a letter of thanks and appreciation for all they sacrifice for having a parent in the military.

Military service men and women who are interested in participating will have until November 1 to provide their name, rank, unit, address, phone number, email address, child's name, age, gender, and shipping address. This can be done by registering online at www.OperationTribute.com or by calling a separate, dedicated line (207-221-0296). All information is kept strictly confidential.

Operation Tribute is a first-come, first-serve program and monies to support this project will come from corporate sponsors, individuals, and other organizations all over the Commonwealth of Massachusetts who want to participate. If you know of any businesses or donors that would be interested in donating to Operation Tribute to ensure that no child is refused a gift, please call 207-221-0296 or donate online at the website. Also, if you are interested in volunteering to help, please give them a call.

Operation Holiday 2014

DEADLINE: SUN 30 NOV

If your service member is deployed or home for the holidays or you're a Gold Star or Survivor family, take advantage of the Project New Hope Inc. (PNH), Christmas program to help them enjoy their holiday.

Military, Veterans and Gold Star families who have a need (Children between 1 -16) can submit a wish list to PNH and their donors will adopt their family by purchasing items from their wish list (within reason) for Christmas.

Families must fill out the application on or before SUN 30 NOV in order to get on the list.

Families who are not adopted will still receive toys from PNH on SAT 13 DEC at the Worcester Lodge of Elks 233 Mill St, Worcester, MA 01602 between 1:00pm and 3:00PM

To request an application please contact Bill Moore by [email](#) or call 774-243-7859.

Operation American Soldier

Please visit the following link if you know of someone that would like to receive a care package this holiday season. Operation American Soldier is looking for APO addresses to send care packages to for our deployed Servicemembers and has 3 packing dates scheduled: 10/28, 11/4 & 12/4.

OperationAmericanSoldier.org

FREE Financial Planning Appointments

THU 06 NOV @ Joint Base Cape Cod

Meet one-on-one with a Certified Financial Planner for FREE on any of your financial questions. Home buying, retirement planning, credit counseling and everything in between. Open to military members of all branches, veteran and civilian employees of JBCC To register for please email [Erin](#).

Massachusetts National Guard
Airman & Family Readiness Program
Joint Base Cape Cod, MA



Requests to be
added or removed
from this
distribution list
may be sent
directly to [Erin](mailto:erin.creighton@ang.af.mil).

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Military Deer Hunt

FRI 05 & SAT 06 DEC on Joint Base Cape Cod

Camp Edwards, in cooperation with the Division of Fisheries and Wildlife, is sponsoring a special hunt open to members of the US Military.

Veterans and Currently Serving or Retired Military

- Can bring any DEERS-enrolled dependent or one non-dependent child (age 17 and under).
- Ages 15-17 requires a youth hunting license.

Follow Signs on Connery Avenue to Check-in Station.

- Required to present hunting license, FID, and proof of military service.

For more information go to Mass.gov



Heroes of Cape Cod and Islands 2014

Do you know a person who has performed an extraordinary act of courage to save someone's life or helped in the rescue of someone in need? Or maybe you know someone who commits hours to a special cause?

The American Red Cross Cape Cod & Islands Chapter would like to honor and celebrate these individuals at the 13th Annual Heroes of Cape Cod and Islands. Breakfast on Friday, April 10th, 2015 at the Resort and Conference Center at Hyannis from 7:30 a.m.-9:00 a.m.

HERO CATEGORIES:

Life Saving Hero

Community Service Hero

Individual with Disabilities Hero

Armed Forces Hero

Professional Hero (Fire, Police, EMT, Dispatch)

Youth Hero

APPLICATION NOMINATION GUIDELINES:

Heroic event must be ongoing or have occurred between December 1, 2013 and December 21, 2014. Hero must have a connection to Cape Cod, the Islands or the South Coast of Massachusetts.

Deadline to submit: December 28, 2014

The Red Cross touches lives in our community every day through programs and services such as disaster relief and health & safety training. As an organization committed to helping the community, the Red Cross is honored to salute individuals who are making a difference through their actions.

Questions? For more information call (508) 775-1540 or visit www.redcross.org/CapeCodandIslands